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Dozens of mine sections in the Karaganda Basin have been converted to the cycle work schedule but less than ten are actually meeting the schedule. Two sections were singled out for special mention in this connection: a section of the above-mentioned Mine 31 and a section of Mine No 64.(4) The former section completed 29 cycles during September (6), while according to another source, the figure was 30. The sixth section of Mine No 64 completed the month plan for coal output 112 percent after it had been converted to the cycle schedule.

In 1949 the second and fourth sections of the Stalinugol' Trust were expanded, each working two mine faces instead of one. The second section increased its daily coal output dozens of tons after its expansion. Labor productivity was increased 22.7 percent, 24 workers were freed, and consumption of mine timbers was reduced 27-35 cubic meters per month.(4)

Much underground work is being mechanized in the mines of the Lengerugol' Trust in the Karaganda Basin. Cutting machines and highly productive scraper conveyers are in operation. Electric locomotive lines extend for kilometers. Metal mine props result in a saving of thousands of cubic meters of mine timbers. The mines have also started to mechanize coal loading at the mine faces.(8)

The Kuzbass area also reports production progress. The Kuybyshevugol' Trust has recently completed the Five-Year Plan for volume of coal output.(9) The Mine imeni Stalin, the largest in the Prokop'yevsk coal area, has shipped dozens of trainloads of above-plan coal and has promised 30 additional trainloads by 7 November.(10)

The Central Asian coal industry notes some achievements in the Kirgiz SSR and in the Uzbek SSR. Outstanding section No 1 of Mine No 6 of the Sulyuktaugol' Trust in the Kirgiz SSR exceeded the second- and third-quarter coal-output plan by several thousands of tons.(11) Angren Mine No 2-bis is successfully operating on the cycle schedule, removing coal from the mine face during two shifts and devoting the third shift to development work. This has freed more than 30 persons for other duties. Productivity at the mine face was almost 30 percent higher in September than in August.(12)

The Fergana Division of the Uzglavtoptrest (Uzbek Main Administration of Fuel Trust) has made a valuable contribution to the exploitation of local fuel. Lignin which formerly had no use is now being made into high-grade briquettes. Successful tests have been made with these briquettes in cotton-drying machines and in heating living quarters.

The Fergana Division of the Uzglavtoptrest has increased the equipment and capacity of the lignin briquette factory so that its yearly productivity has now risen to 10,000 tons of briquettes per year. Mechanization of work processes will permit the raising of this figure to 15,000 tons.

The supply of fuel for institutions and the population increased greatly when this factory was put into operation. Coal issued from coal-storage yards has also improved in quality since the coal dust is removed from it and likewise used in the preparation of briquettes.(13)

The Chëremkovo Basin in the Irkutsk Oblast is converting its outstanding mines to the cycle work schedule. Section No 1 of the Malyy Artem Mine was the first in the basin to make the transfer. In September this section completed the month plan 9 days ahead of schedule and gave the country nearly 6,000 tons of above-plan coal. The sixth section of Mine No 8 is completing one cycle each 24 hours. (14)

Suchan Mine No 24 in the Primorskiy Kray completed the September plan for coal output ahead of schedule. All sections of this mine are working on the cycle work schedule and are constantly increasing their labor productivity. Every worker in the mine is fulfilling his quota.(15)

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Workers of the Kramatorsk Coke By-Products Plant have fulfilled the Five-Year Plan for coke roasting. The workers have assumed the additional obligation of processing thousands of tons of above-plan coke by 7 November.(16)

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